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PROVISIONAL ELECTION

Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks
Washington, District of Columbia 20231

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Sir:

This election is in response to the Office Action mailed August 17, 2001.

Provisional Election:

Applicant provisionally elects to prosecute Group 8, Figure 23, including claims 1, 2 and 4-27.
This election is made with traverse.

Applicant reserves the right to resubmit the nonelected claims of other Groups, which includes claim 3, for consideration if a generic claim is allowed.

CONCLUSION

Applicant invites the Examiner to contact Applicant's representative as listed below for a telephonic interview if so doing would expedite the prosecution of the application.

Very respectfully submitted,

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